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December 22, 2005

Jeff S. Jordan
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Re: MUR 5691 - Designation of Counsel Statements and Request for an Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed please find five (5) Designation of Counsel Statements authorizing me to act as counsel for the Iowa Machine Shed Co., the Whalen for Congress Committee, Kirk Whalen as treasurer of the Whalen for Congress Committee, Carmen Darland and Brian Dumas in the above-entitled action. In addition to these respondents, I have also been retained to represent the candidate, Mike Whalen. The Designation of Counsel Statement authorizing me to act as counsel for Mike Whalen will be filed with the Commission shortly. The complaint in MUR 5691 incorrectly names as a respondent Heart of America Restaurants & Inns, Inc. There is no such legal entity. Heart of America Restaurants & Inns is merely a trademark used by the Iowa Machine Shed Co. in connection with the Machine Shed chain of restaurants.

The complaint in MUR 5691 was served on the above-named respondents on December 13, 2005 and I was formally designated as their counsel yesterday. As you know, 11 C.F.R. § 111.6(a) provides that a respondent may file a written response to a complaint within fifteen (15) days of receiving it. Since the above-named respondents were served on December 13, 2005, a response is due next Wednesday, December 28, 2005, during the week between Christmas and New Years.

Although I have initiated an investigation into the allegations of the complainant, there will not be sufficient time to complete that effort and prepare and file a written response by December 28, 2005. In order to prepare a complete response, I will need to interview a number

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of witnesses who have direct knowledge of the events alleged to have occurred in the complaint. As you can imagine, many of these witnesses have already made travel plans for the holidays and several will not be available until after January 1, 2006. Accordingly, I hereby request an extension of time of thirty (30) days until January 26, 2006 in order to file a response to the complaint in MUR 5691.

Sincerely,

Brett G. Kappel

Enclosures



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